

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOLTVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL  
May 14, 2012**

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The regular meeting of the Holtville City Council was held on Monday, May 14, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in the Civic Center. Council Members present were Jerry Brittsan, Mike Goodsell, Colleen Ludwig, David Bradshaw and Richard Layton. Staff members present were Alex Meyerhoff, Nick Wells, Gordon Johnson and Glyn Snyder. City Treasurer Pete Mellinger and City Engineer Jack Holt were also present. Martin Gonzalez represented Steve Walker in his absence.

**CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Mr. Brittsan called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**CITY COUNCIL OPEN SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Mr. Brittsan called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**INVOCATION:**

The invocation was led by Pastor Richard Moore of Trinity Baptist Church.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Mrs. Ludwig led the pledge of allegiance.

Paige Brady and Carl Lehman, students of Holtville High School were present and talked about the activities they are involved in and their future plans for college.

**PROCLAMATION:** Veteran's Appreciation Month.

Mr. Brittsan presented a proclamation to Mr. Rick Partridge of the Employment Development Department.

**CITY CLERK RE: VERIFICATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA:**

The City Clerk verified that the agenda was duly posted on May 11, 2012.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION:**

*(Government Code Section 54956.9(b))*

Willowbend LLC vs. City Of Holtville

No reportable action taken.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Anastasia Miki, 1525 Meloland Road reported she is still raising funds for the swimming pool and is waiting to hear from IID and Rabobank. There will also be a barbecue on June 1<sup>st</sup> and is being hosted by the Athletic Club.

Ruth Chambers and Dora Depaoli came before Council to discuss community pride and clean up of the City. They requested City Council establish a Beautification Program. Some of their concerns

are the street sweeping, illegal parking and empty city lots. They would also like to see more trash cans placed throughout the City. They said they have talked to several citizens who are willing to volunteer. They feel curb appeal is very important and recognition of home owners doing a good job would be helpful.

Mr. Brittsan informed them that there is an abatement program in place and he thinks newspaper coverage would assist the City in becoming more successful with this endeavor.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1. Approval Of Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of The City Council Of April 23, 2012 And Special Meeting Of May 1, 2012**
- 2. Current Demands #30397 To #30490**

A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mr. Goodsell to approve Consent Agenda items 1 and 2. The motion carried 5/0.

#### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND COMMUNIQUE:**

Mr. Holt reported the Water Reservoir Project is on schedule.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 3. Discussion/Related Action Regarding Proposed Golf Cart/NEV Ordinance – Steve Walker, City Attorney**  
Mr. Gonzalez informed Council that the City needs to design a plan. Mr. Brittsan said he will discuss this with the City Manager and bring this item back to Council.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 4. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 12-23 Approving The Appropriation Of 2011-2012 Funds Allocated From The State Of California's Citizens Option For Public Safety Program (COPS) To Provide For Frontline Police Services – Nick Wells, Finance Manager**  
A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mrs. Ludwig to adopt Resolution 12-23 approving the appropriation of 2011-2012 funds allocated from the State of California's Citizens Option for Public Safety Program (COPS) to provide for frontline police services. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.
- 5. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 12-24 Intended To Replace Resolution 10-53 Approving And Authorizing The Submission Of A Financial Assistance Application To The State Water Resources Control Board And Authorizing The City Manager To Sign And File For And On Behalf Of The City Of Holtville The Necessary Documents For Financing Agreement(s) From The State Water Resources Control Board– Justina Arce, City Planner**  
A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mrs. Ludwig to adopt Resolution 12-24 intended to replace Resolution 10-53 approving and authorizing the submission of a Financial Assistance Application to the State Water Resources Control Board and authorizing the City

Manager to sign and file for and on behalf of the City of Holtville the necessary documents for Financing Agreement(s) from the State Water Resources Control Board with an amendment stating the City Manager must get prior City Council approval. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

**6. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 12-25 Intended To Replace Resolution 11-38 Approving And Authorizing The Submission Of A Financial Assistance Application To The State Water Resources Control Board And Authorizing The City Manager To Sign And File For And On Behalf Of The City Of Holtville The Necessary Documents For Financing Agreement(s) From The State Water Resources Control Board– Justina Arce, City Planner**

A motion was made by Mr. Brittsan and seconded by Mrs. Ludwig to adopt Resolution 12-25 intended to replace Resolution 11-38 approving and authorizing the submission of a Financial Assistance Application to the State Water Resources Control Board and authorizing the City Manager to sign and file for and on behalf of the City of Holtville the necessary documents for Financing Agreement(s) from the State Water Resources Control Board with an amendment stating the City Manager must get prior City Council approval. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

**7. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 12-26 Authorizing The City Manager To Execute A Certificate Of Acceptance For Easements Along SR115/5<sup>th</sup> Street From APN #045-610-001 – Justina Arce, City Planner**

A motion was made by Mr. Goodsell and seconded by Mr. Layton to adopt Resolution 12-26 authorizing the City Manager to execute a Certificate of Acceptance for easements along SR115/5<sup>th</sup> Street from APN #045-610-001. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

**8. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 12-27 Approving The Transfer Of Easement For STPL 5174 (017) SR115/5<sup>th</sup> Street Sidewalk Improvement Projects – Justina Arce, City Planner**

A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mr. Brittsan to adopt Resolution 12-27 approving the transfer of easement for STPL 5174 (017) SR115/5<sup>th</sup> Street Sidewalk Improvement Projects. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

**9. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 12-28 Directing The Finance Manager To Implement The Voluntary Separation Incentive Program – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager**

A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw and seconded by Mr. Goodsell to adopt Resolution 12-28 directing the Finance Manager to implement the Voluntary Separation Incentive Program with the following changes:

- Medical insurance for a period of six months
- A one-time cash payment of \$10,000
- Immediate vesting in the 401K Retirement Program
- Consideration of reemployment with the City
- Notification to participate to the City Manager no later than May 29, 2012 at noon.

The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

**INFORMATION ONLY:**

## **10. City Manager Report – Alex Meyerhoff**

- a. Finance Manager – Nick Wells**
- b. Public Works Supervisor – Alex Chavez**
- c. Water Works Supervisor – Frank Cornejo**
- d. Police Department – Gordon Johnson**

### **Staff Reports**

Written reports were provided by the following: City Manager, Finance Manager, Public Works Supervisor, Water Works Supervisor and Police Chief.

Mr. Johnson has been promoted to Lieutenant with the Imperial County Sheriff's Department and will be relocating to Winterhaven. His replacement has not been decided yet. Mr. Johnson thanked the City and City Council for allowing him the opportunity to serve the community. He will be attending a job fair at the high school on Thursday.

Mr. Bradshaw announced that the League of Cities Dinner Meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup>.

Mrs. Ludwig congratulated Mrs. Snyder for receiving her Certified Municipal Clerk status.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Brittsan adjourned the Regular Council meeting at 8:08 p.m. following the Budget Workshop.

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Jerry M. Brittsan, Mayor

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Glyn Snyder, City Clerk